

# Joliet's Bid For New Army Lab Rejected

Joliet's bid for the new army quartermaster research laboratory was rejected today by the defense department, it was reported by the Washington bureau of The Herald-News Copley Press.

The bid for the laboratory was made by the Joliet Association of Commerce and was one of 300 offers to locate the defense quarters in various cities.

The Research and Development board announced it has decided to locate the laboratory at Natick, Mass. Joliet's site on the government-Joliet Arsenal tracts had been presented to the board in a brochure by Rep. Noah M. Mason (R) of Oglesby, Ill., last Aug. 11.

Mason had emphasized a saving to the government in the acquisition of new land as well as Joliet's strategic position in the center of the nation, close to quartermaster suppliers.